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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice and Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) today gives notice of a request for public comment, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on the continued collection of information entitled: *Budget Justification*, which DOE has developed for submission to and approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the continued collection of such budget justification information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this continued information collection must be received on or before December 27, 2014. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Department of Energy, Golden Field Office, 15013 Denver West Parkway Golden, CO 80401-3111, Attn: James Cash

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions may be directed to James Cash at (720) 356-1456 or by email at james.cash@ee.doe.gov. The information collection instrument, entitled Budget Justification, may also be viewed at http://www1.eere.energy.gov/financing/resources.html

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains:

(1) OMB No. 1910-5162, Budget Justification;

(2) Information Collection Request Title: Budget Justification;

(3) Type of Request: Renewal;

(4) Purpose: This collection of information is necessary in order for DOE to identify allowable,

allocable, and reasonable recipient project costs eligible for Grants and Cooperative Agreements

under EERE programs;

(5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 400;

(6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 400;

(7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 24 hours, per response;

(8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: \$899.04 per one time

response;

(9) Authority: 10 CFR 600.112.

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James Cash Contracting Officer

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